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**NEWS CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS GROWING DANGERS OF TEEN  
ABUSE OF PRESCRIPTION AND OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATION**

**PARTICIPANTS TO INCLUDE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY,  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS,  
THE PARTNERSHIP FOR A DRUG-FREE AMERICA, AND  
REGISTERED NURSE AND MOTHER OF TEEN WHO DIED FROM  
PRESCRIPTION OVERDOSE**

**SACRAMENTO –United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott; Renee Zito, Director of the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs; and Teri Christensen, Sr. Vice- President of Partnership for a Drug-Free America , will hold a news conference, Thursday, August 16, 2007, at 10:00 a.m.**

**WHO:           McGregor W. Scott, United States Attorney, Eastern District of California  
Renee Zito, Director of the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs  
Teri Christensen, Sr. Vice-President for a Drug-Free America  
Francine Haight, Registered Nurse/Mother of teen who died from prescription overdose**

**WHEN: THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2007, 10:00 a.m. P.D.T.-10:45 a.m. P.D.T. (media arrival by 9:30 a.m. P.D.T)**

**WHAT: NEWS CONFERENCE - to discuss the emerging epidemic of teen abuse of prescription and over-the-counter drugs and steps parents can take to safeguard against such abuse. .**

**WHERE:       *Robert T. Matsui United States Courthouse  
Room 10-120  
Sacramento, California 95814***

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